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## NINETEENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE RECORD-ING SECRETARY FOR 1912.

To the President and Members of the Columbia Historical Society, Greeting:

The Recording Secretary submits the Nineteenth Annual Report, beginning with the 127th meeting, January 16, 1912, and ending with the 133d meeting, December 17, of the same year.

During 1912, the Society admitted 8 new members, lost 5 by death, 7 by resignation and has at present a membership of 218.

The Board of Managers held 7 meetings with an average attendance of 6 members. The Society held 7 meetings in the Lecture Hall of the Washington Club, 1710 I street, with an average attendance of 65 members and guests.

Volume 15 issued in May, 1912, and presenting *The Records* for 1911, contains 368 pages and 20 important illustrations.

The correspondence of the Secretary shows that more and more the Society is being recognized as an authority in matters relating to the history of the District, as questions come from Departments of the Government, historians and historical societies in many different parts of the United States.

As the keeping open each Wednesday from November to May inclusive, of the Society's library, room 57 Pacific Building, is still a work of love, it has not been feasible to have it open any evening, although that too, we hope, can be achieved in the future.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY STEVENS BEALL,

Secretary.

January 21, 1913.